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up to date stake tabernacle heated by a furnace a fine stage suitable for all pageants of Plays that are necessary to be put on by the auxillary organizations with curtains and all necessary appliances and ante-rooms The stand is nicely arranged and the floor is on an incline and a fine gallery with raised seats in the eastend that will seat 300 persons altogether the building is improved wonderfully in every respect. The cost so we understand was a out $27,000.00. The stake president and the High Council now have convenient and comfortable quarters in the new steamheated seminary building.

A brief synopsis of the Millitary service rendered yby the men of this county in the different wars that have taken place since the settlement of the county in 1859. The black Hawk Indian war began in Sanpete county in 1865 and spread all over Utah south and east of Salt Lake City and in the two years following 70 white persons were killed. Thousands of people had to leave their homes and move into the largertowns in order to protect themselves. And millions of dollars worth of property was destroyed. On the 26th of May 1866 the Territoreal Millitia of Wasatch county was reorganized at Heber by Colonel Robert T. Burtonand David J. Ross, John W. Witt was appointed as Mafor over all the Millitia of the county and Charles H. Wilken Adjutant, John Hamilton , major of the Infantry companies, S. H. Epperson Captan of Midway cavalry and Ira M. Jacob Captain of the Infantry. So me 276 men were enrolled and all did more or less in service. No white lives were lost of that number and only on IMdian killed and another wounded but thousands of dollars worth of stock were stolen by the Indians. At least seven different and separate raids were made on the stock and of all they drove off only a very few head were got back. Mr. Wm. Bradford Sessions lost seven cows in a raid.

In the Spanish American war three men went from Heber. They were Moroni Turner, Elmer Duncan and Taylor Goodwin and one from Midway. All these returned safe home and a wonderful celebration was held to welcome them home after having risked their lives in the service of their country.

In the terrible World War some over 200 men were enlisted from Wasatch County and quite a number went over seas and were on the firing line and helped to defeat the German Army that had started to conquer the world. Twelve of our boys never returned alive. Five were killed in action in the battle fields of France and Belgium. Their names are George W. and Dan A. Lockhart, Arther Ivie, Ross Moore, George William Carlile, seven died from disease in the training camps their names are John W. Barns, Ray Ivie, Vernell Coleman, Wm. L. Jacobs, Wilbert Johnson, Monroe McDonald, Russell Muir, Guy B. Alexander was killed in a railroad accident, inroute to a training camp. Ten others were wounded in battle . They were: Wallace Blackley, Otto Bell, Leroy Boren, Guy Duke, Ellis Epperson, Andrew M. Fisher, Worth Mahoney, Forest Montgomery, Wm. M. Taylor and Amasa Wall.

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